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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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For: **Use of Quaternary Pyridinium Salts as Vasoprotective Agents**
Inventors: GEBICKI *et al.*
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Dear Madam Commissioner:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$180.00 to cover: \$180.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p);
2. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and Statement of Substance of Interview; with Appendix:
 - a. Two sheets of replacement formal drawings containing: (1) Figure 1, and (2) Figures 9 and 10;
 - b. One sheet of annotated formal drawing containing Figures 9 and 10 (showing changes); and
 - c. Substitute Abstract;
3. Certified English translation of the priority application;
4. Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c);
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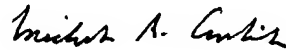
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